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# H. R. 3497

To expand the boundary of the Snoqualmie National Forest, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 21, 1996

Ms. DUNN of Washington (for herself, Mr. WHITE, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. TATE, Mrs. SMITH of Washington, Mr. METCALF, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. DICKS, and Mr. HASTINGS of Washington) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

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## A BILL

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and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Snoqualmie National  
5 Forest Boundary Adjustment Act of 1996”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 The Congress finds the following:

8 (1) Certain private lands in the State of Wash-  
9 ington presently owned by Weyerhaeuser Company

1 and others are located adjacent to the Snoqualmie  
2 National Forest and are logical extensions of the  
3 forest.

4 (2) A boundary adjustment will facilitate a land  
5 exchange which involves approximately 7,200 acres  
6 of National Forest land and 33,000 acres of private  
7 land owned by Weyerhaeuser Company, of which  
8 6,278 acres are outside the present Snoqualmie Na-  
9 tional Forest boundary.

10 (3) Weyerhaeuser Company and the Forest  
11 Service are prepared to exchange these lands, which  
12 will benefit both the United States and  
13 Weyerhaeuser by consolidating their respective land-  
14 ownership holdings and providing reduced costs for  
15 each party to implement their land management ob-  
16 jectives, providing an opportunity to implement more  
17 effective ecosystem based management, providing in-  
18 creased recreation opportunities for the American  
19 public, providing enhanced fish and wildlife habitat  
20 protection, and supporting the “Mountains-to-the  
21 Sound” goal of a continuous greenway between the  
22 Cascade Mountains and Puget Sound.

23 **SEC. 3. BOUNDARY MODIFICATION.**

24 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Agriculture is  
25 hereby directed to modify the boundary of the Snoqualmie

1 National Forest to include and encompass 10,589.47  
2 acres, more or less, as generally depicted on a map entitled  
3 “Snoqualmie National Forest Proposed 1996 Boundary  
4 Modification” dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1996. Such map, to-  
5 gether with a legal description of all lands included in the  
6 boundary adjustment, shall be on file and available for  
7 public inspection in the Office of the Chief of the Forest  
8 Service in Washington, District of Columbia.

9 (b) RULE FOR LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION  
10 FUND.—For the purposes of section 7 of the Land and  
11 Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 (16 U.S.C. 460l–  
12 9), the boundary of the Snoqualmie National Forest, as  
13 modified pursuant to subsection (a), shall be considered  
14 to be the boundary of that National Forest as of January  
15 1, 1965.

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